

S. 2819

Section 4(4): New Section 512
"Military Assistance Authorizations for Thailand"

The Difference

The Senate version would require the transfer to military assistance programs for Thailand from MASF to MAP in FY 1973.

The House version has no comparable provision.

The Executive Branch Position

The Executive Branch does not oppose the transfer of assistance programs for Thailand from MASF to MAP. However, in order to assure an efficient and orderly transition, a marked change in procedures, techniques and management will be involved. With the remaining seven months in FY 1972, a transfer for FY 1973 could precipitate actions that would be uneconomical. A transfer date of 30 June 1973 would permit an orderly and efficient transition without undue impact.

The Executive Branch understands, by the word "furnished" in the proposed Section 512, that assistance programmed for Thailand under MASF prior to the date specified in that section and which is in the "pipeline" at that time may be provided regardless of when the Defense articles are actually delivered or the Defense services actually rendered.